

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended): A data management method comprising ~~the steps of:~~
displaying on a display ~~means~~ an icon corresponding to a data management unit with
which data can be registered;

registering the data with the data management unit by carrying out a drag-and-drop
operation for the data onto the icon; and

carrying out a simple output of the data registered with the data management unit to the
display ~~means~~ by opening the icon.

2. (original): A data management method as defined in Claim 1, wherein the data
are image data and the simple output is displaying a thumbnail image or thumbnail images of the
image data that have been registered with the data management unit.

3. (currently amended): A data management method as defined in Claim 2, further
comprising ~~the steps of:~~

displaying on the display ~~means~~, in the case where a plurality of sets of the image data
have been registered with the data management unit, an order screen for all the image data sets
together with the thumbnail images thereof;

receiving an input of the content of a print order for the image data sets; and

generating order information representing the content of the print order for the image data sets.

4. (currently amended): A data management apparatus comprising:

a data management unit with which data can be registered;

a display ~~means~~; and

a control ~~means~~ circuit,

wherein the control circuit for displaying displays an icon corresponding to the data management unit on the display ~~means~~, for registering registers the data with the data management unit by a drag-and-drop operation for the data onto the icon, and for carrying carries out a simple output of the data that have been registered with the data management unit to the display ~~means~~ by opening the icon.

5. (original): A data management apparatus as defined in Claim 4, wherein the data are image data and the simple output is displaying a thumbnail image or thumbnail images of the image data that have been registered with the data management unit.

6. (currently amended): A data management apparatus as defined in Claim 5, wherein the control means circuit is configured to display displaying on the display ~~means~~, in the case where a plurality of sets of the image data have been registered with the data management unit, an order screen for all the image data sets together with the thumbnail images thereof;

wherein the control circuit is configured to receive ~~receiving~~ an input of the content of a print order for the image data sets; and

wherein the control circuit generates ~~generating an~~ order information representing the content of the print order for the image data sets.

7. (currently amended): A computer-readable recording medium storing a program that causes a computer to execute the procedures of:

displaying on a display ~~means~~ an icon corresponding to a data management unit with which data can be registered;

registering the data with the data management unit by carrying out a drag-and-drop operation for the data onto the icon; and

carrying out a simple output of the data registered with the data management unit to the display ~~means~~ by opening the icon.

8. (original): A computer-readable recording medium as defined in Claim 7, wherein the data are image data and the simple output is displaying a thumbnail image or thumbnail images of the image data that have been registered with the data management unit.

9. (currently amended): A computer-readable recording medium as defined in Claim 8, the program further comprising the procedures of:

displaying on the display ~~means~~, in the case where a plurality of sets of the image data have been registered with the data management unit, an order screen for all the image data sets together with the thumbnail images thereof;

receiving an input of the content of a print order for the image data sets; and

generating order information representing the content of the print order for the image data sets.

10. (new): The data management method of claim 3, wherein a remote service provider is connected to the data management unit, the remote service provider providing services including storing image data, recording the image data on portable recording medium and printing image data.

11. (new): The data management apparatus of claim 6, wherein a remote service provider is connected to the data management unit, the remote service provider providing services including storing image data, recording the image data on portable recording medium and printing image data.

12. (new): The computer-readable recording medium claim 9, wherein a remote service provider is connected to the data management unit, the remote service provider providing services including storing image data, recording the image data on portable recording medium and printing image data.

13. (new): The data management method of claim 1, wherein the data includes image data, audio data, moving-image data and text-file data.

14. (new): The data management apparatus of claim 4, wherein the data includes image data, audio data, moving-image data and text-file data.

15. (new): The computer-readable recording medium claim 7, wherein the data includes image data, audio data, moving-image data and text-file data.

16. (new): The data management method of claim 13, wherein when the data is image data, the simple output is a display of a thumbnail image of the image data,
wherein when the data is audio data, the simple output is a display of a link corresponding to the audio data that, when selected, plays a portion of the audio data,
wherein when the data is moving-image data, the simple output is a display of a still image of a scene in the moving-image data, and
wherein when the data is text-file data, the simple output is a print preview of the text file.

17. (new): The data management apparatus of claim 14, wherein when the data is image data, the simple output is a display of a thumbnail image of the image data,

wherein when the data is audio data, the simple output is a display of a link corresponding to the audio data that, when selected, plays a portion of the audio data,

wherein when the data is moving-image data, the simple output is a display of a still image of a scene in the moving-image data, and

wherein when the data is text-file data, the simple output is a print preview of the text file.

18. (new): The computer-readable recording medium claim 15, wherein when the data is image data, the simple output is a display of a thumbnail image of the image data,

wherein when the data is audio data, the simple output is a display of a link corresponding to the audio data that, when selected, plays a portion of the audio data,

wherein when the data is moving-image data, the simple output is a display of a still image of a scene in the moving-image data, and

wherein when the data is text-file data, the simple output is a print preview of the text file.

19. (new): The data management method of claim 1, wherein the data management unit stores the data or a link to the data.

20. (new): The data management apparatus of claim 4, wherein the data management unit stores the data or a link to the data.

21. (new): The computer-readable recording medium of claim 7, wherein the data management unit stores the data or a link to the data.

22. (new): The data management method of claim 1, wherein a plurality of data is individually dragged-and-dropped onto the icon to register the plurality of data in the data management unit.

23. (new): The data management apparatus of claim 4, wherein a plurality of data is individually dragged-and-dropped onto the icon to register the plurality of data in the data management unit.

24. (new): The computer-readable recording medium of claim 7, wherein a plurality of data is individually dragged-and-dropped onto the icon to register the plurality of data in the data management unit.

25. (new): The data management method of claim 22, wherein the data management unit stores the plurality of data or respective links to the plurality of data.

26. (new): The data management apparatus of claim 23, wherein the data management unit stores the plurality of data or respective links to the plurality of data.

27. (new): The computer-readable recording medium of claim 24, wherein the data management unit stores the plurality of data or respective links to the plurality of data.

28. (new): An image display and ordering method, comprising:
displaying on a display a display icon corresponding to a stored image data set;
displaying on the display an order icon corresponding to an image data set selected for ordering;
displaying on the display a simple image corresponding to an image in the stored image data set by opening the display icon;
registering the image for ordering with the order icon by performing a drag-and-drop operation of the simple image onto the order icon; and
performing image order processing of the registered image by opening the order icon.

29. (new): The image display and ordering method of claim 28, wherein the image order processing comprises:
displaying a simple image of each registered image;
requesting print order information corresponding to each registered image; and
sending the print order information to a remote processing center via at least one of a recording medium and a network connection.

30. (new): An image display and ordering apparatus, comprising:

a display; and

a control circuit,

wherein the control circuit displays a display icon corresponding to a stored image data set and an order icon corresponding to an image data set selected for ordering,

wherein the control circuit displays a simple image corresponding to an image in the stored image data set when the display icon is opened,

wherein the control circuit registers the image for ordering with the order icon when a drag-and-drop operation of the simple image onto the order icon is performed, and

wherein the control circuit performs image order processing of the registered image when the order icon is opened.

31. (new): The image display and ordering apparatus of claim 30, wherein the image order processing comprises:

displaying a simple image of each registered image;

requesting print order information corresponding to each registered image; and

sending the print order information to a remote processing center via at least one of a recording medium and a network connection.

32. (new): A computer-readable recording medium storing a program that causes a computer to execute the procedures of:

displaying on a display a display icon corresponding to stored image data set;
displaying on the display an order icon corresponding to an image data set selected for ordering;
displaying on the display a simple image corresponding to an image in the stored image data set by opening the display icon;
registering the image for ordering with the order icon by performing a drag-and-drop operation of the simple image onto the order icon; and
performing image order processing of the registered image by opening the order icon.

33. (new): The computer-readable recording medium of claim 32, wherein the image order processing comprises:

displaying a simple image of each registered image;
requesting print order information corresponding to each registered image; and
sending the print order information to a remote processing center via at least one of a recording medium and a network connection.